

had we had any kind of a reasonable tax proposition. Yesterday I asked Senator Schmit what the tax on a \$10,000 automobile would be in order to make arithmetic simple and the answer was \$1.50. We are going to also tax used cars and there will be a lot more \$1000 automobiles sold than there will be \$10,000. I suggest to you that the tax on that car is going to be \$.15 and to say that there is anything reasonable whatsoever in asking a man to quarterly submit, fill out, account for, record, process through his books, a \$.15 tax on a \$1000 sale has to be an utterly ridiculous statement. Now if we have a problem and you are willing to fund it, then let's have the guts to tell the people of this state, your taxes are going up. We're not going to bury it in the cost of a used car or a used bedspring or a discarded anything else. We are going to tax you for the service you are asking us to perform and be about our business of doing it without creating additional reporting burdens. I think it is utterly unfair and I am going to have to support Senator Cullar's motion inasmuch as the tax structure in this bill is so unfortunate.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I rise to oppose the kill motion. I think there have been those that have been here to advocate that we do something about litter and now this is a way to do something about it. It's a way to finance it. I've read all the articles about how bad the bill is. Usually coming, Senator Schmit, from those that use paper; I don't want to point to any particular industry. But they're so strong on taxing cans and not taxing paper, I wonder why sometimes but that's a judgement each of us have to make. The bill, I think, has been worked on and Senator Schmit, I want to compliment you. I've never seen a man at a bill so many days in a row and you seem to have survived it, but the bill is in reasonable shape now. It addresses a problem of litter and it addresses a problem of who has to pay for it. Those who manufacture and create it, all of them not a single industry not a single incident, but everyone that's involved in it. It's just as unattractive, Frank, to see a newspaper upside of a fence as it is to cans. It's just as unattractive to see a mustard jar on a lakeside as it is a can. It's just as unattractive to see a paper picnic plate all inclusive with a plastic fork and a plastic spoon in a picnic area as it is a can. So it's just as unattractive to see the bedsprings and the junk cars as it is some of the others. I would assume that those who want to clean up the environment would be jumping up and down and shouting old fashioned Oklahoma hallelujahs at the attempt to clean up all of the problem, the attempt to take care of all the litter instead of selective. The arguments I hear now are somewhat baffling to me from those who have so long and so hard pressed to clean up the environment. Sometimes I suspicion them and there is a quote from Shakespeare that I won't use right now but I'll tell you privately. Senator Murphy I just have one other comment. That is the worst story I've ever heard in my life on the floor of the Legislature that you told previously.

PRESIDENT: Senator Bereuter.

SENATOR BEREUTER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. A lot has been said about the taxing methods of this bill and I won't dwell on them any further. I think they are